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We trust President Taft will not frown upon the waterway aspirations of the valley, because the applause accorded his speech was not greater than that given to the "American by choice."

Louis Cobolini's address before the Waterways Convention was greeted with a storm of applause. He was the real star in the firmament. Our news report characterizes it as the "hit" of the convention.

The Sphinx Club, made up of magazine writers and publishers, gathered at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York for their annual dinner. The well-known after-dinner cut-up, Patrick Francis Murphy, addressed the members. He made a hit when he referred to the business man who does not advertise as follows:

"In commerce not to advertise is the business world way of taking the veil."

The action of the Louisiana State Museum in marking historic sites and buildings in New Orleans is heartily to be commended. There are few towns which have not some place of interest. If these places are marked, the stranger comes upon them with the keenest pleasure; the inhabitants are reminded of the noteworthy events in their own history. Keep all the old buildings that can be saved from the commercial vandals and mark them in some permanent way.

NEWS FROM  
SAN BENITO

THE SAN BENITO LAND AND WATER CO. IN NEW QUARTERS.

E. W. Dunaway of San Antonio to Enter Business—Reorganization of Mexican Society—Cutting and Harvesting Cane Soon to Begin.

Special Correspondence of Herald.

San Benito, Oct. 22.—The San Benito Land & Water Co. have moved over into their spacious apartments in the King building. Everything is fixed up in the most approved style, each department having a suite of rooms in which to transact its particular business.

E. W. Dunaway of San Antonio who recently took up his abode here, and who is erecting a large brick building on the boulevard, which is nearing completion, expects to put in a large stock of general merchandise. This will make another addition to the large list of stores and supply houses that San Benito has already, and in addition the building "stacks up" with the rest of the "businessmen" to good effect, and gives the town a very good appearance.

Crop prospects at present are the best, with more going in the ground all the time. The cutting and harvesting of cane here will begin very shortly.

The reorganization of the society "Gran Circulo Obreros" took place here yesterday. This society was organized at San Benito some time ago, but owing to lack of sufficient members fell through, and yesterday was again reorganized with many newcomers. This is a Mexican society strictly and the affair was well conducted. The principal features were speaking and singing. Among the speakers were Doctor Barragan and Louis Aguilar of Matamoros. The former is the Mexican Consul at Brownsville. The attendance at the meeting was dancing and music.

Quite a few additions in the way of posts and wires have been made to the San Benito Telephone system lately and a stranger coming to town would undoubtedly be struck by the impressive appearance of these large posts on the streets, and might be tempted to believe that with so many wires San Benito was the head office of the Associated Press.

"Wouldn't you seal up the avenues of ill?"

Pay every debt as if God wrote the bill."

—Emerson.

YESTERDAY AT  
THE CONVENTION

MENTION MADE OF MATTERS OF INTEREST.

## VALLEY DELEGATION GOOD ONE

City in Holiday Attire, With Buildings All Dedecked—Compliments For Rifles, Who Are Pleasantly Encamped—Large Crowd.

By E. F. RORKE.

Special Herald Correspondent.

Corpus Christi, Oct. 22.—Corpus Christi is in holiday attire for the visit of President Taft and the Waterways Convention. The decorations are lavish and profuse. There is scarcely a building in town, business or residence, that is not bedecked with flags, bunting or smiling pictures of the president. The principal business streets are simply rows of red, white and blue in every conceivable combination, while at night the color scheme is maintained and supplemented by rows of alternating red white and blue electric globes stretching diagonally from corner to corner of intersecting streets.

In the convention hall a thousand palm leaves supplemented by the National colors form a beautiful and appropriate decoration with a great Lone Star flag hung over the stage.

In one corner Secretary Magin has arranged the valley exhibit, consisting of a big map of the Rio Grande country framed in a splendid collection of photographs, the whole inclosed in a border of incomparable stalks of sugar cane. Near by are stacks of commercial club booklets that are being appropriated eagerly by the delegates. Without doubt, the Valley delegation has made Corpus Christi and all the visitors in the city sit up and take notice. It is the one most talked about on the streets and in the convention, the largest, the best appearing and the only one with any kind of organization. Capt. Head and his Rifles have made a splendid appearance in their dress uniforms and nothing but praise is heard of them. They rendered efficient service today at the entrance wharf where the presidential party landed, at the speaking stand and later at the King residence about which they were stationed while President Taft and his party ate lunch.

The boys are pleasantly encamped on the hill straight back from the Seaside hotel, and are greatly pleased at their comfortable situation. They have sleeping room to spare with less fortunate convention visitors and as for eating—they have two cooks who are serving up meals that as one of the boys said, "has the Miller whipped to a cream."

The Mexican band was a favorite here previous to this visit and has simply renewed and strengthened the good impression it made a year ago. Last night it played a short time at the dance held at the Seaside pavilion and furnished music that then and there.

Corpus girls envious of their more fortunate sisters in Brownsville who frequently have the opportunity of hearing and dancing to it.

Captain Caballero, who is in charge of the band, was shown the courtesy due him by being asked to sit upon the stage of the convention hall. George Champion, who has been his cicerone on the trip, was asked also. A little later when a motion was made to send a wire thanking President Diaz and General Villar for sending the band, somebody amended it to let Captain Caballero in for a share of the thanks, which the latter graciously acknowledged later in a few words through Senator Guydon of Louisiana.

Several special trains have come in today and the city is filled with a holiday crowd from all the country around.

A sight that looked good to the eyes of the Rio Grande delegation especially those from Brownsville, was that of the steamship Pilot Boy yesterday tied up at the end of Central Wharf taking on a load of cotton. It was inspiring this morning to watch the revenue cutter Winona speeding across the bay with the presidential party aboard.

It is a safe bet that more than one local Brownsvillean, gazed by the sight took a look into the future with his mind's eye and saw things taking place on our own beautiful Laguna Madre that it is the purpose of this and similar gatherings to bring about.

This morning the Rio Grande delegation gathered at their head-

## A Story of Thrift.

Whenever a man uselessly spends a dollar, then that man has taken a step in intellectual degeneration, he has taken a step on the road to leads to poverty, perdition, moral and financial destruction. Do not do it. Save your money. Do not spend it for foolish gimcrack trappings, that you will be ashamed of when you reach intellectual maturity.

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quarters in the Doddridge building and, preceded by the Rifles, marched to the convention hall. The session lasted less than an hour, most of the time being taken up by Louis Cobolini who had been allotted five minutes. He went outside his prepared speech to point out that the people are the stockholders in a great corporation, the directors of which are our congressmen and legislative and executive officers and aroused enthusiasm by declaring that if the directors do not carry out the wishes of the stockholders they should be replaced by others who will do so. Mr. Cobolini declared that he was an American by choice and then set the audience in an uproar by saying, "one trouble with you Americans is that you are in this country by compulsion." Needless to say that the hit was received with continued laughter and applause.

Mr. Cobolini said there were some fine men at the head of the Waterways Association. He had known Mr. Holland from a baby. He was a good baby and is making a better man.

The enthusiastic valley man endeavored to place the credit for the display of sugar cane where it belonged. "Some confounded story teller has said that a car-load of cane was brought in from Louisiana. It came from the Lower Rio Grande Valley."

At the conclusion of Mr. Cobolini's speech, many of his hearers grasped him by the hand, and warmly manifested their appreciation of the earnestness of his remarks.

BROWNSVILLE  
MEN AT CORPUS

CAUSES CORPUS CHRISTI HERALD TO "DROP INTO POETRY."

Brownsville Boys Both Boosters and Bachelors—Compliments For Delegates, Rifles and All—Plenty of Personal Puffs.

From the Corpus Christi Herald.

Of all the delegations that have come in, so far, the Brownsville and Lower Rio Grande people have easily made the best showing. At the head of the column a couple of standard bearers bore a large banner signifying their identity. Then came a couple of prominent Brownsville officials wearing big peaked Mexican sombreros; the Matamoros Military Band next; then the Brownsville Rifles, a very soldier-like and efficient body of men, in khaki, with their blankets strapped about their shoulders; then the delegates from the Lower Rio Grande Commercial Club. They wore Mexican sombreros, were adorned with club badges, and each carried an 8-foot stalk of ribbon-cane with the Stars and stripes attached to the end. This body also included several citizens of prominence from Matamoros. The Mercedes Commercial Club brought up the rear and made a very showy and pleasing appearance in their smart white caps and waving the Stars and Stripes, using stalks of sugar cane as flag-poles.

They came with band and soldier; Wore hats that towered high; Had flag-poles made of sugar-cane, And "Brownsville" was the cry.

Mayor Fred Gumbo, Brownsville's very distinguished bachelor, is here in all his glory. Alderman Sam Doorman of the same city, another distinguished bachelor, is also here in "full force," as Lee Borden puts it. Strange, isn't it, that two dis-

tinguished city fathers should be bachelors? That's the only parental duty they perform, however,—looking after the city.

Nobody seems to be enjoying the convention more than Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Miller of Matamoros, Mexico. Mr. Miller is U. S. Consul at that place and, with Mrs. Miller's assistance, he has made the consulate at Matamoros more popular with both Americans and Mexicans than any consul who has ever been there.

Don Louis Cobolini of Brownsville, one of the greatest deep-water advocates on the coast, and who has more deep-water statistics than any man in the State, is here in attendance on the convention as a delegate and none of them can beat him when it comes to talking deep-water and water transportation.

Banker McGary of Brownsville is here and of course is doing the "boosting" act for the Lower Rio Grande Valley, as they all do who come from down there. As there are many fair visitors in Corpus Christi today, The Herald deems it not amiss to state that, in addition to being a banker, Col. McGary is also a very marriageable bachelor.

Judge John Bartlett, county Judge of Cameron County, is here as a Lower Rio Grande delegate. Before locating in Brownsville Judge Bartlett was, for many years a resident of Corpus Christi and has many friends here who are always glad to meet and greet him.

Dr. S. K. Hallam, manager of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Commercial Club, and who has been a great factor in settling the Valley with industrious farmers, is here doing the delegate act at the convention, and is "overlooking no boys" in talking up his section.

John J. Conway, the man who sold William Jennings Bryan a Lower Rio Grande Valley farm, is here from Mission and a Valley delegation would be incomplete without him. Except what's American, John J. is all Irish, having been born in the Emerald Isle.

Collector of Customs Bob Creager and Postmaster Bob Renfro, both of Brownsville, and who, by the way, hold the two biggest Federal offices on the Lower Rio Grande, are here to see the Big Chief and incidentally to do a little boosting for the Valley of the Lower Rio Grande.

The Crixell Brothers, four strong, —Tentilo, Vicente, Joe and Luis— all former Corpus Christians, but for some years past residents of Brownsville, are here visiting old friends and attending the convention as Lower Rio Grande Valley delegates.

Ed Rorke, a Lower Rio Grande Valley planter, is here in double capacity—as a delegate to the Waterways Convention and representative of the Brownsville Herald. Like many of the other Brownsville young men, Ed is a marriageable bachelor.

The headquarters of the Lower Rio Grande Valley delegation, next to the convention, is about the liveliest place in town. You can't lose the boys from the Valley.

If the people of Brownsville, with the energetic assistance of Secretary R. N. Magill do not accomplish wonders in the next few years, they will "make a noise like it" anyway.

It is unnecessary to state that the Brownsville delegation made a great hit with the people generally.

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